



# EAGLE SCHOOL

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**EAGLE School of Madison is an independent school dedicated to serving the educational needs of gifted and talented children, kindergarten through eighth grade, in the greater Madison area.**

### Looking Ahead

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| R | 6/2  | Day Away  |
| F | 6/3  | Last Day  |
|   |      | Field Day   |
|   |      | Early Dismissal, 11:20 am   |
|   |      | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition Ceremony, 5:30 pm                     |
|   |      | All-School Picnic, Swan Creek Park, 6:00 pm                             |
| M | 8/29 | <b>Orientation</b> for Nest, Primary & new students,<br>8:25 am to Noon |
| T | 8/30 | <b>First Day of School</b> for all students                             |



### Cleaning Out the Medicine Cabinet

If your child has any medication stored in the Reception Office medicine cabinet, please stop by and pick it up before school ends. If you would like us to send it home with your child, please contact Susan Thompson ([thompson@eagleschool.org](mailto:thompson@eagleschool.org)) and let her know.

### Summer Office Hours

Someone will almost always be in the Main Office between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, but it is best to call before stopping by. Please note that Woods Hollow Children's Center uses part of our lower level for their summer daycare program; they do not have access to the classrooms. When entering our building during the summer, please do not cut through their space, as they are very protective of the children they serve. Thank you.

### Registration for 2016-17

Registration packets for the new school year will be mailed to all families in mid-July. Please complete the forms as soon as you receive them, and submit them to the office before July 29. Next year's supply lists will be posted on our website by July 15.

### **COME TO THE ALL-SCHOOL PICNIC!**

**Friday, June 3, 2016**  
(Sorry, no rain date.)

**6:00 – 9:00 PM**

**Swan Creek Park**



(South on Fish Hatchery Rd., east on E. Cheryl Pkwy. for approximately 1.5 miles. Park is on the right.)

Please bring a dish to pass, your beverages, blankets and chairs to sit on.  
(Table service provided by EPO.)



### Volunteers Needed for Picnic Duties

If you are planning to attend the All-School Picnic on June 3, our EPO Board could use your help with a few "picnic duties" -- easy jobs like setting up tables, replenishing supplies, or arranging food. If you are willing to help, please click on this link to sign up for a thirty minute shift: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D48AFAA2EA46-endofyear](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D48AFAA2EA46-endofyear)



### Class of 2016 Graduation

This year's recognition ceremony in honor of our graduates will be held on Friday, June 3, at 5:30 PM, in EAGLE School's **Elizabeth W. Conner Performing Arts Center** (the Auditorium).



### Graduates Donate

The Class of 2016 is donating a 25-foot aluminum flagpole and solar flagpole light to be installed later this summer in the front circle of our school. Many thanks to our graduates and their families. Their gift will be appreciated and enjoyed for many years to come!



### Honors and Awards

A listing of students who were recognized at today's all-school assembly is being forwarded with this newsletter. Be sure to check it out!



### **Day Away is Almost Here!**

**Tomorrow, Thursday, June 2,** staff members and parent chaperones will supervise students as they travel to various locations and participate in special activities throughout the day. The 7/8 students heading to Great America should be at school by 8:00 AM and meet in the Multi-Purpose Room; the bus will leave promptly at 8:15 AM. Students going to Kalahari (3/4-6/7) should report to the Commons by 8:20 AM for attendance and last-minute instructions. They will board the buses promptly at 8:40 AM. Nesters through Upper Primaries should also arrive by 8:20 AM and report to their LA/SS/D classrooms. Intermediates should report to Art Room 20. The buses will leave for Aldo Leopold Nature Center at 8:50 AM. (Room assignments will be posted at the main entrance-east, as well as the Auditorium entrance-west.)

Wondering what to bring? See attachment for reminders.

Questions related to Day Away may be directed to Ann Larget ([annlarget@eagleschool.org](mailto:annlarget@eagleschool.org)) in the Main Office.



### **Semester Reports**

On Friday, please check your student's backpack for the large manila envelope containing his/her semester report. (Eighth graders will receive their reports at graduation.) We hope that parents and students will take time together to read the reports and reflect upon the challenges and triumphs of the past semester. Also, please note the addition (or absence) of an "attendance sticker" on your child's report. Anyone who had less than five absences and less than five tardies received a sticker in recognition of his/her exemplary attendance.



### **Building & Field Trip Fees Due Today!**

Building and field trip fees, as well as tuition for semester and annual payment plans, are due today. Please note that after today your contract for the 2016-17 school year will be binding.



### **Return Classroom & Library Books**

Please note that semester reports will be held in the main office until all library and classroom books are returned or replacement fees paid. If your child has not returned a book, you should have received (or will receive) an email from our librarian or from his/her teacher.

### **Library Summer Volunteers**

If you would like to get ahead on volunteer hours, consider helping in the EAGLE School library this summer. Any amount of time you can spare will be appreciated. To volunteer, please email [ellen@eagleschool.org](mailto:ellen@eagleschool.org).

### **EAGLE Summer Reading Recommendations**

For a list of summer reading recommendations for children and young adults, please visit the new library page on our EAGLE School website. This page, currently under construction, will be available by Wednesday, June 8.



### **Lost & Found Overflowing**

Missing a jacket, a book, a lunch box, or a water bottle? If so, check out the EAGLE Lost & Found on the first floor near the Commons.

We have several fleeces, sweatshirts, winter boots, and much more. Don't delay; all unclaimed items will be boxed up for donation on Friday.

### **Transportation Reimbursement**

Madison, Oregon, Verona, and Monona residents--whether driving to EAGLE or using the bus--can file for transportation reimbursement from their public school district. Contact your district office for more information on how to file. To assist you in filling out the required form, please note that students attended school 81 days in the first semester and will have attended 94 days in the second semester, for a total of 175 days.

### **Public school transportation contacts:**

Madison: *Deb Thompson, (608) 204-6804*

Oregon: *Carol Bride, (608) 835-4006*

Verona: *Patti Fenske, (608) 845-4331*

Monona: *Mary Hinrichs, (608) 316-1912*



### **Looking for Cellists**

The Strings program at EAGLE is steadily growing, but we would love to have more cellists join us next year. If you are interested in having your child learn cello in the fall, consider giving them a head start with lessons this summer. If interested, please contact Mark Bridges at [cellobridges@gmail.com](mailto:cellobridges@gmail.com).



### **Thanks for a Successful Walkathon!**

Our May 20<sup>th</sup> TGIF Walkathon to raise money for a baseball field at Gunflint Park was a huge success! Students in all units brought energy and enthusiasm to the event, walking, running, crawling, and skipping to the finish. The event raised \$1,188.47 after costs--well above the students' initial fundraising goal of \$500. The profits will go toward installation of the field as well as some baseball equipment for EAGLE. A HUGE thank you to all of the students who collected pledges and to the families who contributed donations!

### **Summer Reading at the Fitchburg Public Library**

Your child is bringing home a flyer from the Fitchburg Public Library listing reading programs (June 10 – Aug. 5) and library events for children and young adults.



### **Nonprofit Tennis Education Organization**

EAGLE alumna Ellie Kaji is trying to start a nonprofit tennis education organization to benefit the West High School tennis team and other young Madison tennis players. The organization is providing tennis lessons for young tennis players. Prices are \$15 per hour for private lessons or \$8 per hour for group (three or more) lessons. Profits will be used to support tennis education in Madison. Balls will be provided but students must bring their own rackets, shoes, and sunscreen. If interested, please contact Ellie Kaji ([elizabeth.kaji@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.kaji@gmail.com)) to arrange a mutually convenient time and location.

### Volunteers Honored with EPO Soarin' Awards

Each school year, four adult volunteers are recognized with Soarin' Awards, much in the same way EAGLE students are presented with Wings Awards. The EPO acknowledges parents who are not presently on the board but have gone above and beyond to volunteer their time on behalf of the EPO and school community.

We sincerely congratulate and extend our heartfelt appreciation to this year's recipients, **Marnie Hulan, Tiffany Lim, Mary Cooke, and Jerry Neviasser.**

**Marnie** has been part of our EAGLE community for the past six years. In addition to being EPO president, chair of our silent auction, and unit parent for several years, Marnie has mentored new families, assisted with school Picture Day, and coordinated many staff appreciation events. She also created our "Staff Favorites" book, developed content for the EPO portion of our website, and was quite instrumental in designing the Spring FUNdraiser as we know it today. Thanks, Marnie, for sharing your time, creativity, and organizational ability with us!

**Tiffany**, who has been part of our EAGLE community for only four years, has already worn many volunteer hats including that of EPO board member, unit parent, and EAGLE book fair coordinator. She has chaired the children's activities committee for the Spring FUNdraiser, coordinated spectacular Halloween parties for our middle school students, and covered hundreds of books for our school library. Tiffany has also assisted with our Box Tops program, mentored new families, chaperoned school dances, and served as a judge for NHD. Thanks for your generosity and dedicated service, Tiffany!

Since joining EAGLE in 2008, **Mary** has supported our students and staff in countless ways. She has served on the EPO board, assisted with several book fairs, chaired at least three different committees for our Spring FUNdraisers, and volunteered in the school library. She has mentored new families, supervised QRTs, provided supervision and transportation for our Science Olympiad teams, and served as an NHD judge. Mary has also assisted with school parties, Pitch Perfect events, and staff appreciation events. Thanks, Mary, for sharing your energy, time, and talent with us!

**Jerry** has also been an EAGLE parent since 2008. His leadership skills, artistic ability, and technological know-how have made him an exceptional volunteer. Jerry has co-chaired the Spring Fundraiser for the past two years, bringing his streamlined approach and creative marketing ideas to this annual event. With help from his wife, Elizabeth, he has coordinated the sale of EAGLE clothing for the last three years, designing logos, working with vendors, and managing websites. He also designed the logo for our EAGLE robotics team. In addition, Jerry has assisted with Science Olympiad and served as a judge for NHD. Thanks, Jerry. Your ingenuity and "can do" attitude are always much appreciated!



### Special Lunches Helped Many

Parents of the eighth graders who went to Washington Workshops did a great job of coordinating this year's "special hot lunch" orders. Their efforts helped defray the expenses of the trip and gave many families a break from packing lunches. We extend our sincere appreciation to the following hot lunch organizers: Nancy Barabas (online orders, food vendors, shopping); Betsy Kennedy (shopping); Rochelle Engel (ice cream distribution), Lailah Shima, Carolyn Wasacz, Kathy Hines, and Mary Cooke (on-site management). Special thanks to the many parent volunteers and student helpers who kept things running smoothly, and to all who placed orders and regularly contributed to this scrumptious fundraising program



### 2016-17 School Calendar

A copy of next year's calendar is being forwarded with this newsletter.

### Summer Enrichment Update

**The following courses will NOT run:**

Italy  
Piano Camp  
Poetry, Science, and Art  
Origami, **morning & afternoon**  
Chess Club, **morning & afternoon**  
Storytelling  
Java, **second week**

*If you have registered for one of these courses, we will be in touch soon to suggest other course options or refund your payment.*

**The following courses will run; additional students are welcome:**

The Mathematician and the Moose  
Science Lab  
Drama  
Kindergarten Here We Come  
Cardboard City  
Games and Probability  
Java, **first week**  
Spanish

*Questions regarding summer enrichment courses should be emailed to [carole@eagleschool.org](mailto:carole@eagleschool.org).*

